

REMARKS

Applicant has carefully reviewed the office communication mailed February 15, 2005. In that office communication, the Examiner indicated that the application contained claims directed to five patentably distinct inventions. These five species of invention were identified by the Examiner are as follows:

Species I. Figs. 1-3

Species II. Figs. 4-6

Species III. Figs. 7 and 8

Species IV. Figs. 9-14

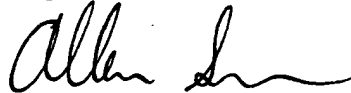
Species V. Figs. 15-17

In the office communication, the Examiner noted that Applicant is required 35 U.S.C. 121 to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits. In response to this requirement, Applicant provisionally elects the species of invention identified by as "Species I" by the examiner. Claims 1-33, 37-44, and 46 read on species I. Applicant notes that upon allowance of a generic claim, Applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which include all the limitations of the allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141.

Application No. 10/759,840

It is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the application are respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner believes it would be useful to advance prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,



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